

WEATHER & CROPS



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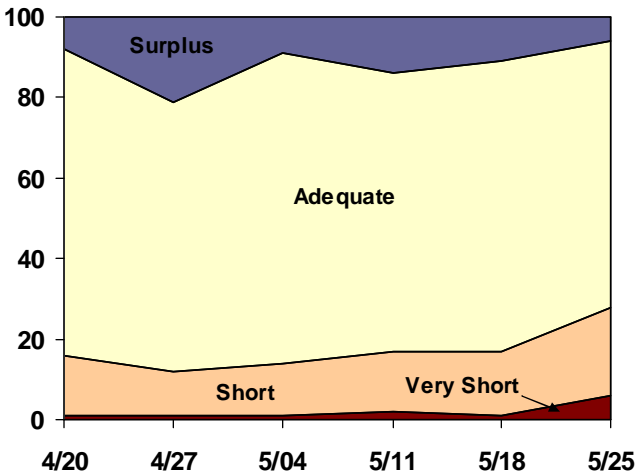
CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 25, 2008

GENERAL: Most of North Carolina received scattered rain through out the week with Hayesville recording 1.29 inches. Average temperatures were below normal and ranged between 52 to 71 degrees. Soil moisture levels in the Mountain Region are considerably dryer than the Piedmont and Coastal Regions, with farmers hoping for adequate rainfall in the weeks to come. There were 5.9 days suitable for field work, compared to 5.5 from the previous week. Statewide soil moisture levels are rated at 6% very short, 22% short, 66% adequate and 6% surplus. Activities during the week included the planting of cotton, peanuts, sorghum, soybeans, sweetpotatoes, flue-cured and burley tobacco and harvesting hay, barley and truck crops.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENT - WITH COMPARISONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTED:				
Cotton	92	70	95	91
Peanuts	78	56	83	81
Sorghum	45	34	50	48
Soybeans	35	20	35	36
Sweetpotatoes	46	44	40	30
Tobacco: Burley	64	62	33	28
Tobacco: Flue-cured	93	88	94	94
PHENOLOGICAL:				
Corn % Emerged	99	93	99	95
HARVESTED:				
Hay 1st Cutting	68	45	74	57
Barley	22	N/A	18	11
Truck Crops	80	55	57	81

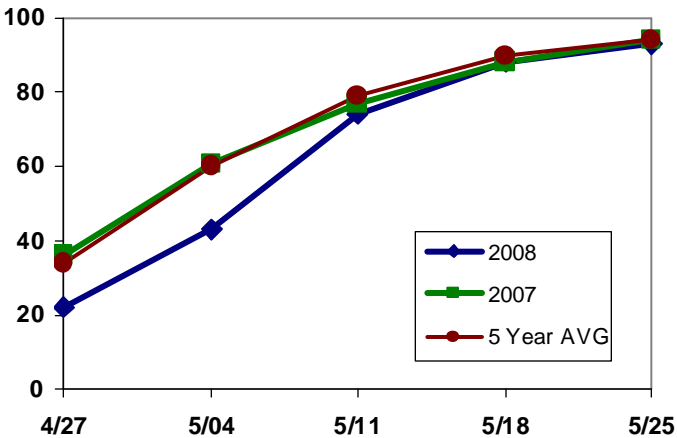
SOIL MOISTURE PERCENT STATEWIDE



TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
State	6	22	66	6
Mountain Region	17	41	41	1
Piedmont Region	3	22	67	8
Coastal Plain Region	0	6	86	8

TOBACCO: FLUE-CURED PLANTED PROGRESS STATEWIDE



CROP CONDITION PERCENT

	VP	P	F	G	EX
Barley	0	2	9	67	22
Oats	0	0	11	68	21
Rye	0	0	3	62	35
Wheat	0	1	17	67	15
Cotton	0	1	31	60	8
Corn	0	3	16	69	12
Hay	4	6	25	54	11
Irish Potatoes	0	0	22	60	18
Pasture	6	8	23	52	11
Peanuts	0	1	5	94	0
Tobacco	3	5	29	55	8

VP = Very Poor P = Poor F = Fair G = Good EX = Excellent

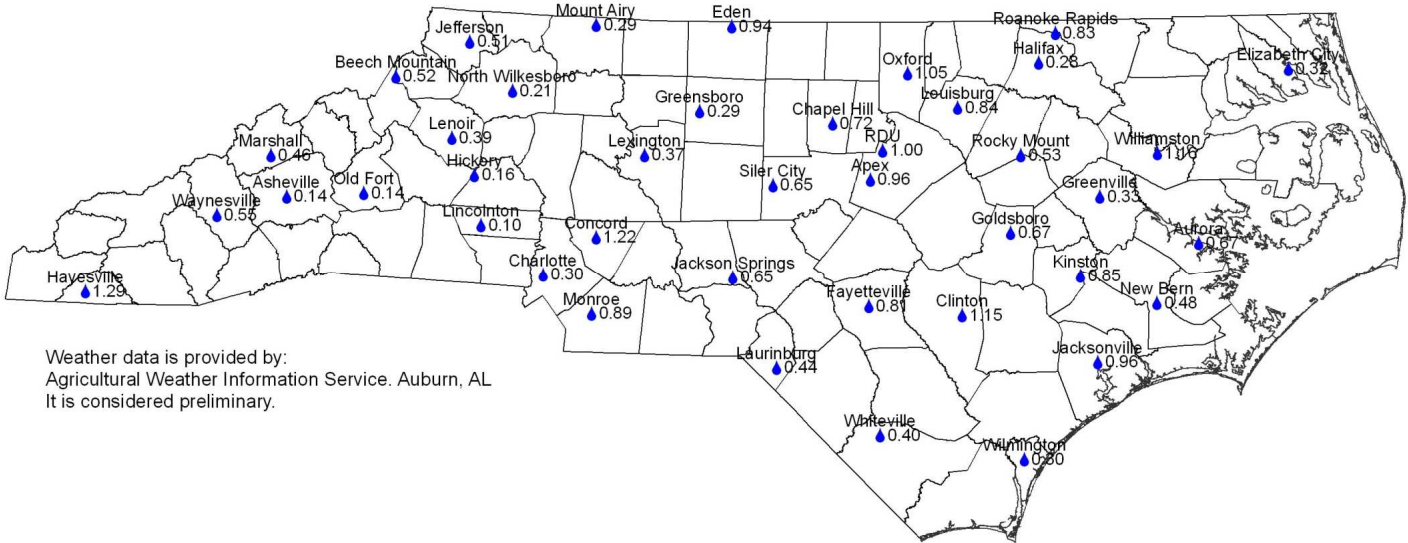
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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 24, 2008

Station Location	Precipitation (Inches) ¹				Temperature (Degrees F.) For This Week			
	Total This Week	Departure From Normal This Week	Total Since January 1, 2008	Departure From Normal Since January 1, 2008	High	Low	Average	Departure From Normal
Apex	0.96	-0.07	16.69	-1.65	84	50	65	-5
Asheville	0.14	-0.91	14.43	-4.40	81	42	62	-3
Aurora	0.67	-0.45	18.34	-0.30	84	55	68	-3
Beech Mountain	0.52	-0.88	16.82	-7.01	79	37	52	-4
Chapel Hill	0.72	-0.34	19.87	1.11	83	47	64	-4
Charlotte	0.30	-0.61	13.99	-3.86	86	45	67	-4
Clinton	1.15	0.03	18.50	-0.74	86	51	67	-4
Concord	1.22	0.24	15.53	-2.70	85	48	67	-3
Eden	0.94	-0.04	14.83	-2.80	77	44	61	-6
Elizabeth City	0.32	-0.75	9.90	-8.69	84	49	65	-5
Fayetteville	0.81	-0.03	17.01	-0.40	87	51	67	-4
Goldsboro	0.67	-0.24	18.77	-0.19	84	52	66	-6
Greensboro	0.29	-0.69	14.80	-1.62	82	48	66	-3
Greenville	0.33	-0.71	17.73	-1.01	85	50	66	-4
Halifax	0.28	-0.71	20.86	2.71	85	50	65	-4
Hayesville	1.29	0.37	22.03	3.99	82	44	63	-8
Hickory	0.16	-0.90	11.67	-8.06	87	46	67	-2
Jackson Springs	0.65	-0.26	16.90	-1.35	84	51	66	-4
Jacksonville	0.96	-0.23	21.27	1.18	88	50	69	-2
Jefferson	0.51	-0.57	14.43	-4.72	74	36	54	-8
Kinston	0.85	-0.23	18.44	-0.76	85	51	67	-3
Laurinburg	0.44	-0.45	18.59	0.45	88	53	69	-3
Lenoir	0.39	-0.67	14.21	-5.19	83	43	64	-4
Lexington	0.37	-0.61	12.34	-6.05	86	44	65	-6
Lincolnton	0.10	-1.00	13.49	-5.66	83	46	65	-5
Louisburg	0.84	-0.20	16.68	-1.74	84	45	64	-4
Marshall	0.46	-0.38	13.23	-3.58	83	37	58	-6
Monroe	0.89	-0.01	13.09	-5.82	85	48	67	-4
Mount Airy	0.29	-0.69	14.18	-4.10	80	39	59	-9
New Bern	0.48	-0.64	15.60	-3.89	88	49	67	-4
North Wilkesboro	0.21	-0.85	13.98	-5.93	83	42	61	-5
Old Fort	0.14	-1.00	13.37	-7.27	83	42	61	-3
Oxford	1.05	0.10	16.02	-1.52	79	48	64	-5
Raleigh-Durham	1.00	0.04	16.82	0.02	83	48	65	-4
Roanoke Rapids	0.83	-0.16	19.10	0.95	82	51	64	-5
Rocky Mount	0.53	-0.45	15.38	-2.59	85	46	65	-5
Siler City	0.65	-0.40	18.06	-1.23	83	48	65	-3
Waynesville	0.55	-0.43	17.52	-3.22	80	36	58	-5
Whiteville	0.40	-0.72	19.46	0.68	88	47	68	-3
Williamston	1.16	0.11	17.32	-1.23	84	50	66	-5
Wilmington	0.30	-0.80	16.77	-1.15	87	54	71	-2

¹ Precipitation data considered preliminary



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